

QIHANG ZHANG

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EDUCATION

University of British Columbia

Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering

- Supervisors: [Prof. Renjie Liao](#) and [Prof. Lele Wang](#)

Vancouver, Canada
September 2023 - Present

Tsinghua University

Bachelor of Engineering in Control (Department of Automation)

- Capstone Supervisor: [Prof. Gao Huang](#)

Beijing, China
August 2019 - June 2023

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of British Columbia

Graduate Research Assistant advised by [Renjie Liao](#) and [Lele Wang](#)

- Mainly Focus on LLMs

Vancouver, Canada
September 2023 - Present

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Undergraduate Research Assistant advised by [Shenlong Wang](#)

- Explainable End-to-End Self-Driving Model Using a Mixture of Experts

Remote
May 2022 - Dec 2022
May 2022 - Dec 2022

Tsinghua University

Undergraduate Research Assistant advised by [Gao Huang](#)

- Sparse Reward Offline Reinforcement Learning for Medical Ultrasound Robotic Arms
- Hundreds guide millions: Adaptive offline reinforcement learning with expert guidance
- Rank 8 in PCIC 2021: Causal Inference and Recommendation

Beijing, China
June 2021 - June 2023
September 2022 - June 2023
Dec 2021 - May 2022
June 2021 - August 2021

PUBLICATIONS AND SUBMISSIONS

* below indicates equal contribution.

Qihang Zhang, Muchen Li, Ziao Wang, Renjie Liao, and Lele Wang

Neural OOD Text Compression via Test-Time Steering with Weighted Product of Experts
Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing(EMNLP),2025

Qisen Yang*, Shenzhi Wang*, **Qihang Zhang***, Gao Huang, and Shiji Song

Hundreds guide millions: Adaptive offline reinforcement learning with expert guidance
IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (TNNLS), 2023

HONORS AND AWARDS

UBC Graduate Support Initiative Award (CAD \$3400 in total)

2024

Excellence in Social Work Award,

Excellence in Innovation and Technology Award,

Excellence in Arts and Culture Award

(Awarded by Department of Automation in Tsinghua University, RMB ¥10000 in total)

2020-2023

HAGE Resilience and Academic Excellence Scholarship (USD \$1000)

2020

Tsinghua Friends - Hefeng Zhengze Scholarship (RMB ¥8000)

2020

TEACHING

UBC CPEN455: Deep Learning [[page](#)], TA

2025/25 Winter Term 1

UBC CPEN455: Deep Learning [[page](#)], TA

2024/25 Winter Term 2

UBC CPEN455: Deep Learning [[page](#)], TA

2023/24 Winter Term 2